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SUBJECT: FOREIGN MINISTER TO WEST AFRICA

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1. FONMIN KIFLE WODAJO LEFT ADDIS ABABA APRIL 19 FOR TOUR OF WEST AFRICAN COUNTRIES. HE IS SCHEDULED TO VISIT GHANA, NIGERIA, CAMEROON, IVORY COAST AND LIBERIA "TO CONFER WITH SENIOR OFFICIALS ON BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH ETHIOPIA." FONMIN KIFLE IS ACCOMPANIED BY YOFTAHE DIMITROS, "AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE."

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2. COMMENT: THIS TRIP IS CONTINUATION OF CAMPAIGN OF EXPLORATION CONDUCTED BY EPMG (REFTEL). WE EXPECT FONMIN TO MAKE SAME POINTS IN THIS AS IN PREVIOUS TRIP, VIZ., THAT ERITREAN PROBLEM IS INTERNAL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ETHIOPIAN MATTER; THAT ERITREANS AND ETHIOPIANS ARE ONE PEOPLE;

THAT EPMG HAS PLANS FOR THE SOLUTION OF THE ERITREAN PROBLEM WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF ETHIOPIAN UNITY AND IS PREPARED TO MAKE CERTAIN LIMITED CONCESSIONS TO MEET ERITREAN ASPIRATIONS.

3. WE WOULD WELCOME ANYTHING WHICH ADDRESSEE EMBASSIES CAN PICK UP TO TENOR FONMIN KIFLE'S PRESENTATION AND HOST GOVERNMENT RESPONSE. HUMMEL

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